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THE WEATHER TO-DAY—Cloudy.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

DUKES ADMITS THAT HE KILLED EDWARD KELLY

Breaks Down in Jail
When Wingfield Ac-
cuses Him.

TRIED TO BLAME PENROSE CARTER

Slayer and Kelly Fought for
Shotgun, Negro Finally Seizing
and Firing It at Close Range.

Weapon Later Sold to
Carter by Wingfield,
Who Fled.

Dennis Dukes, colored, yesterday confessed that he shot and killed Edward Kelly, a white boy, on Tuesday afternoon at the Bloomingdale Farm, near Lakeside.

The confession was made at the Henrico County Jail in the presence of three witnesses when Dukes was confronted by the sheriff, James Penrose Carter, Jr., and a deputy, James Wingfield, who had been charged with the murder and owner of the shotgun with which the crime was committed. Dukes, when first accused by Wingfield, denied the guilt but later admitted the whole story. He claims that the shooting was accidental.

Up to yesterday Dukes, who is twenty-two years old, asserted that Kelly was murdered by a white man, and this statement, along with the sale of a shotgun by Wingfield to James Penrose Carter, Jr., eight minutes after the murder, added complications to a mystery that called forth every effort on the part of the authorities to solve. After a dramatic accusation by Wingfield, who was arrested on Saturday at his mother's home in Brunswick County, Dukes broke down and admitted the guilt. The negroes faced each other in the twelve-foot steel office at the county jail. Dukes was terrified at sight of Wingfield.

"Finally Broke Down."
"Tell us about the shooting again," Wingfield was asked by Officer R. E. Tiller. The details of the tragedy were related while Dukes stood with bowed head and averted eyes. "I shot him," he said, "with a Smith & Wesson."

A negative shake of the head was the reply. "You said you had better tell it again," said Tiller, and once more Wingfield told the grim details. At its conclusion Dukes leaned his head against the door, and, weeping bitterly, admitted the truth, adding, however, that it was an accident.

If Wingfield tells the truth, the shooting, while done in the heat of passion, was in no way accidental. He claims that Dukes and Kelly, who were both colored, and stepping back a distance of ten feet, pulled the trigger. The full load of birdshot struck the boy under the chin and penetrated the brain, causing instant death.

Every bit of the testimony given by young Carter on the witness stand at the coroner's inquest on Wednesday was substantiated by Wingfield, who said that he saw the gun and sold it immediately after the shooting. When asked why he had risked his life by that step, Wingfield replied that Carter had previously attempted to take the gun, and as he needed the money, he took it to him.

Gun Loaded by Kelly.
Wingfield, when turned over to the Henrico police at Lakeside, where he was being held pending their arrival, readily told them all he knew of the shooting of Kelly. He had been employed, he said, on a dairy farm, and recently lost his place, and was unable to secure another. The gun was sold to return to Brunswick to spend Christmas with his mother, and on Tuesday secured the keys of the house occupied by Dukes and went there and got his share of the gun. On his way to the stable he was met by Kelly.

The boy asked to see the gun again, and, looking down the barrel, stated that he was going to shoot it. "Give me a shell," he demanded of Wingfield.

When informed that he had none, Kelly stepped into the barn and returned with one that he slipped into the bag. Before he could shoot, Dukes roughly commanded him to stop. Kelly, with a laugh, pointed the gun skyward, but before he could fire, Dukes clapped him on the head.

Fought Hard for Weapon.
The two swung backward and forward for several minutes, and Dukes became more violent over his inability to handle the youngster. He made one final effort and seized the gun from Kelly's hands, and stepping back several paces, pulled the trigger without, however, bringing the weapon to his shoulder. The shot took an upward course and killed Kelly instantly.

Dukes dropped the gun and, after staring around him for a moment, walked into the barn. Wingfield, horrified at the sight he had witnessed, picked up his belongings and fled. Arriving at Carter's store, he sold the gun for \$2.75 and declined an offer of a job.

Why didn't you tell Mr. Carter about the shooting?" Wingfield was asked. "Well, Dukes asked me not to. He said that I was going home anyhow, and that I had better keep my mouth shut."

Dukes has been held since Tuesday as a witness, but is now formally charged with murder. He will be given a preliminary hearing probably several days hence, and his case will then go to the grand jury. If a true bill is returned, he will stand trial in January.

Held Him for Trial.
Wingfield will be arraigned this morning before Magistrate J. J. Puryear, and will be held either as a necessary to the murder or as a witness. It is highly improbable that he will be given his liberty until Dukes is tried, as the Commonwealth will rely on his evidence for conviction.

As far as can be learned, there had been no difficulty previous to the murder between Dukes and Kelly. R. B. Jennings, manager of the farm and the man under whom both worked, testified at the inquest that he had never heard of any trouble. He also testified that he had never seen the gun.

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PRESIDENT OUT OF BED

Physician, However, Orders All Engagements for Today Cancelled.
Washington, December 14.—President Wilson today was out of bed, after several days' confinement with a bad cold. He sat in his room reading and writing, but did not leave the White House, and saw no callers.

To give the President a further rest, Dr. Grayson, his physician, ordered cancelled all engagements for tomorrow. The physician intends that the President shall be entirely rid of his cold before he again goes to the executive offices. The doctor said the President tonight was well enough to take up his work to-morrow, but he would keep to his room, as Dr. Grayson believed he should stay in an even temperature until he is entirely recovered. It may be a few days, therefore, until the President is perfectly back to his routine, but Dr. Grayson said he was anxious to bring extra precautions to prevent him from catching cold anew. The President's temperature was normal to-night, and he spent the evening chatting with members of his family.

CRETE ANNEXED TO GREECE

King Personally Runs Up Hellespont Flag Over Port.
Crete, December 14.—The formal annexation of the island of Crete to Greece today was carried out with imposing ceremonies. King Constantine personally ran up the Hellenic flag over the port. People flocked to the capital from all parts of the island and from Greece, and tumultuously greeted the King, the crown prince, Premier Venizelos and the other ministers. The ceremony was held in the cathedral, and subsequently the King attended another thanksgiving service in the synagogue.

Island of Crete was finally evacuated on December 13 by the Greek army, and the Hellenic flag was hoisted. The flag was hoisted, and the Greek flag was hoisted.

DEATH IS RESULT OF FEUD

Man Sees Brother's Dead Body, and Says It Is Not First Nor Last.
Chicago, December 14.—Mike Laporta was walking to his home in the South Side Italian quarter by cries of "Harry, your brother is dying!"

At a moment later he was struggling with three men, who left him dead, with twenty stab wounds in his back. Antonio Laporta, the brother, came home soon after the police arrived, and said he knew who had killed Mike. He was questioned about the identity of the assassin, he replied: "It is my affair. I will find them."

Laporta said the murder was the result of a Sicilian feud of twenty years' duration.

My brother was not the first; he will not be the last," Laporta added.

FAIR ELECTIONS PROMISED

Santo Domingo Council Excludes American Commissioners.
Santo Domingo, December 14.—The general election, which is held to-morrow and Tuesday for members of the Chamber of Deputies, will be conducted in an orderly manner, the government promising that every voter will have a free and fair opportunity to register his choice at the polls. The Municipal Council has decided that only its members, representatives of the different parties, and properly registered voters shall be permitted in the City Hall on the polling days. This measure excluded the American commissioners, who have been sent here to observe the elections, and said officially as umpires in case of disputes.

MAY BE GENERAL STRIKE

Action by Philadelphia Union Deferred for Two Weeks.
Philadelphia, December 14.—A resolution calling for a general strike, which would put 50,000 skilled workmen out of employment, was introduced at a meeting of the Central Labor Union here today. The union has deferred for two weeks to allow the councilman committee to endeavor to secure arbitration of the Garment Workers' grievances.

EXPECTED IN PORT TO-DAY

Battleships Returning From Visits to European Countries.
New York, December 14.—The United States battleships Wyoming, Utah and Florida, returning from visits of courtesy to various European ports, are expected to arrive in New York Harbor to-morrow morning, according to a wireless dispatch received from the Wyoming to-day.

The battleship Delaware and the fuel ships Orion and Jason have been detached from the squadron, and are proceeding to Norfolk in company with the battleship Vermont, which broke a shaft last week.

PLAN TO STARVE LOPEZ OUT

Part of Mine in Which He Is Thought to Be Hunkered Off.
Bingham, Utah, December 14.—The part of the Mexican desert, where the slayer of six men, is believed to be hiding, was to-day hunkered off. The sheriffs believe Lopez is in this section of the mine, and that he is secretly sold.

WILL GIVE TANGO TEA

Mrs. Burleson Issues Invitations for December 20.
Washington, December 14.—The tango craze has struck the Cabinet circles as well as the diplomatic set and the winter colony.

Mrs. A. S. Burleson, wife of the Postmaster-General, whose charming young daughters, the Misses Lucy and Sidney, are tango experts, has issued invitations for a tango tea to be given in the beautiful new home of the Burlesons, on Boxing Day, December 26.

The young people of officialdom, home from their schools and colleges for the Christmas holidays, will be among the guests.

LEADER OF REBELS SETS HIMSELF UP AS REAL DICTATOR

Villa Commands Foreign Consuls to Obey His Orders.

SPANISH CITIZENS FORCED TO LEAVE

Their Expulsion From Chihuahua on Penalty of Death—Compels Merchants of All Nationalities to Pay Large Sums of Money to Support Revolution.

El Paso, Texas, December 14.—Americans, Germans and Spaniards who have arrived from Chihuahua, Mexico, report that Francisco Villa, the rebel leader, virtually has constituted himself dictator there, and that he refused to listen to the representatives of foreign governments.

The refugees asserted that the rebel leader has seized \$500,000 worth of property belonging to foreigners, had put to death about twenty Mexican civilians, including Sergeant Sanchez, a lawyer and former State official, and had commanded the American, German and British consuls to obey his orders. The happenings in Chihuahua since Villa occupied the city on his evacuation by the Federal troops, as told by the refugees, who numbered 1,000 were:

Villa seized a large department store valued at \$150,000 and owned by French, German, English and Spanish interests. It was valued by Spanish, and placed in command of the store General Chao, a rebel leader.

He also seized a brewery, a clothing factory and all the grocery and other stores owned by Spaniards, valued at \$250,000.

He called a meeting of merchants of all nationalities and told them they must pay him large sums of money, to support the revolution. He gave orders that the so-called Constitutional money should be accepted as currency.

Expelled on Penalty of Death.

Villa's expulsion of citizens of Spain was on penalty of death. He at first informed them that he would let them stay within five days, but later, after an appeal by Harry Scobell, the British vice-consul, he extended the time to ten days. None of the Spaniards was allowed to take anything except personal effects, and all were told never to return.

The capture and imprisonment of Luis Terrazas, son of a former president, was after Terrazas had sought refuge in the British vice-consulate, and after the rebels informed Mr. Scobell they would break down the British vice-consulate unless Terrazas was released. Marion Letcher, United States consul, was asked by the foreigners to protect them. Mr. Letcher attempted to send a cable message to the State Department, but was informed by Villa that no cipher messages would be permitted on the rebel telegraph.

Villa then informed the foreign consuls that if they would have to obey his orders.

Threatens German Consul.

Otto Kueck, the German consul, protested to Villa against the execution of a Spaniard. Villa threatened Kueck, saying the latter would be executed if he did not stop his protest. A store in which Kueck was interested was required to pay \$30,000. All homes and property of the expelled Spaniards were appropriated to the personal use of the rebels.

The expulsion of Spanish nuns and priests was complete, except that the bishop, a Spaniard, was allowed to remain. Villa's attitude toward the consuls was hostile. A German clothing merchant said: "The German colony went to Mr. Kueck for protection. Mr. Kueck went to Villa with a protest. Villa said he would shoot you, but I can escort you to the border. Kueck replied he would remain in Chihuahua as long as there was a German citizen there."

It was impossible for the foreigners to obtain visas. The consul, who was from Villa as to what course he would pursue in future toward foreigners.

An American, who had been a physician in Chihuahua for years, was among the refugees. He said: "The situation was brought about by the desertion of the city by General Salvador Mercado, the Federal commander, who said he had no money to pay his troops, although he looted the banks before he left. Before the rebels arrived we were assured order would prevail. Villa, however, immediately went to the balance and set himself up as dictator. He announced that Mexicans and foreigners alike would have to obey him. Being illiterate and having passed his lifetime as a bandit, Villa would listen to no reason. He said the property in the city belonged to the poor, and those who would contribute, whether foreigners or Mexicans, or who would not accept revolutionary script, would face a severe penalty."

Theodore Kyriacopoulos, head of a rebel junta, in the lobby of an El Paso hotel to-day, stated that S. Remondino, a Spaniard, was not fatally wounded. Kyriacopoulos said he had acted as he did because a crowd of Spanish refugees had yelled "lynch the supporter of Villa." He was arrested.

Battle Near Guaymas.

Hermosillo, Sonora, December 14.—A battle was fought to-day on the outskirts of Guaymas, when a column of nearly 1,000 Federals sallied into the hills north of the town and encountered the insurgent outposts of less than 200 men.

The insurgents began a hot fire from the cover of the hills, and the Federals answered with volleys from rifles and machine guns. After a few minutes of firing the Guaymas garrison retreated. Two Federal soldiers were captured by the insurgents.

General Ojeda, Federal commander, had been informed that the greater part of the Constitutional forces had gone south into Sinaloa. It was said, however, that the Federals were not to take good care of their only child.

SEVERAL INJURED IN RIOT

Police Attempt to Disperse Procession of Suffragettes.
[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] London, December 14.—Several women and children were injured this evening in a riot growing out of an attempt by the police to disperse a procession of suffragettes in the Bow district.

The parade, in which 200 suffragettes took part, was organized for the purpose of "serenading" the local members of the House of Commons. The women who voted against giving the militants permission to use the Bow public bath as a headquarters.

An attempt by Miss Zelle Emerson, the American suffragette, to address the crowd was the signal for the mounted police to charge the demonstrators. Miss Emerson was seized and became the centre of the police, and followers and some of the spectators tried to rescue her from the police.

Mounted and foot police charged the marchers when they refused to disperse. The women fought back with missiles of various kinds, and some spectators took a hand in the fight. Many were knocked down and trampled and several women became hysterical. The fight lasted for a quarter of an hour.

Mrs. Lausbury and other suffragette officers said the police acted with uncalculated brutality and without the least provocation.

MAN KILLS HIS WIFE

Then Standing Over Body Declares She Was Cause of It All.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, December 14.—William Barker shot and killed his wife, Adele Barker, this evening on the corner of Madison Avenue and Eighth Street.

The man fired five shots, each of which took effect. He then stood over the body, holding the smoking pistol, and made no resistance when arrested by a policeman, who jumped off a passing car.

"The woman was the cause of it all," he said.

Barker was returning to her home after visiting a sister-in-law, daughter Grace, who is in a Catholic institution. The Barkers have been separated for some time, the wife living with her father, who is a policeman, who jumped off a passing car.

MARCH AROUND CAPITOL

Suffragettes Plan Demonstration to Impress Legislators.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, December 14.—The "seven times around Jericho" march, the suffragettes recently planned for the White House in case President Wilson refused to see them, will now be held around the Capitol, as a hint for the legislators to get behind and pass the pending suffrage amendment to the Constitution.

A band will precede the marchers, trumpets will be blown and as the women enter the Capitol Building and speeches will be made, calling the women of the North, East, South and West to join in the new woman's crusade.

MOYER EXPLAINS PROPOSAL

Miners' Suggestion for Arbitration Rejected by Operators.
Calumet, Mich., December 14.—Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, today explained the proposal of the copper mine strikers for arbitration, which was refused by the operators. The miners asked that two arbitrators be chosen by the operators, two by the strikers, to be either than members of the local unions or the federation, and said the body that they would have to obey his orders.

The demonstration planned by the strikers for to-day was postponed until next Sunday, because halls for the meetings were not available.

EARLIER DATE FOR RACE

Harvard-Cornell Contest Will Take Place About May 1.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Cambridge, Mass., December 14.—The announcement that the Harvard-Cornell rowing race would hold a regatta May 23, pleasing to Harvard rowing interests, for this will mean that Harvard and Cornell will meet about May 1, which is much earlier than the Harvard regatta, of Harvard, has long contended that the Harvard-Cornell race came too late in the season for the proper development of the rowing season.

Manager of the Harvard crew, who was in the city to-day that while that date for the next race had not been definitely settled, it will undoubtedly be held about May 1.

SLEEPS IN SUBWAY TRAIN

Fourteen-Year-Old Boy Sets New Nonstop Riding Record.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, December 14.—David Shapiro, fourteen, started out to set a new nonstop subway riding record, and after five nights to his credit when his father, Samuel Shapiro, interrupted the contest to-day by having David arrested on a charge of stealing his mother's jewelry. David told the police that he pawned the jewelry for \$20 and has been living well during the daytime, but feared to go to a lodging-house, and therefore slept in the subway trains since leaving home, December 9.

PASSENGERS VACCINATED

Man With Smallpox Traveled on Pennsylvania Train.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Philadelphia, December 14.—When train No. 46 of the Pennsylvania Railroad, arrived at Broad Street Station to-day, it was found that a passenger, who had left the train at Huntington, was suffering from smallpox in an advanced form. Guards were immediately posted at both ends of the smoking car, in which the man had been seated, and thirty-five other passengers in the car were vaccinated by physicians from the Board of Health before they were allowed to go.

FINDS WIFE SUICIDE

Motorman Awakes After She Has Severed Jugular Vein.
Charlotte, N. C., December 14.—Awakened by the crying of a small son, Motormar, H. B. Godfrey, of this city, discovered at 5:30 o'clock this morning that his wife had cut her throat with a razor, severing the jugular vein. A note left in the razor case announced her intention of killing herself, and charged her husband to take good care of their only child.

RICHMOND'S JAIL ADDS ONE MORE TO RUNAWAY LIST

James Gooch, Negro
Wife Slayer, Escapes
by Aid of Hack-Saw.

POLICE UNABLE TO PICK UP TRAIL

Prisoner Took Advantage of Confusion in Building While It Was Undergoing Repairs.

City Sergeant Offers
Reward of \$100 for
His Capture.

Picking a time when the whole place was in a state of confusion, James Gooch, alias James Rogers, who, after awaiting trial for the murder of his wife, escaped from the City Jail between 5 o'clock Saturday night and 6 o'clock Sunday morning.

As soon as his absence was discovered, City Sergeant Satterfield notified the police, and a dragnet was at once spread, not only in Richmond, but in all adjoining states. Satterfield promptly offered a reward of \$100 for Gooch's capture, and it is expected that this will be supplemented by Governor Mann.

Jail in Utter Confusion.

Inquiry at the jail brought to the light the fact that for several days it has been in a state of confusion because of repair work. It was shown that frequently it was necessary to transfer prisoners from one part of the prison to the other, and the routine in this manner was completely upset. None of the cells in the second tier of the east side, where Gooch was confined, had locks on the doors. It was said, however, that the heavily guarded at the end of the tier was securely fastened. The absence of the locks upon the cell doors was explained by the fact that the tier was being repaired.

Under these circumstances, Gooch, as well as the other prisoners, had access to the long corridor. "The negro was in his cell at 5 o'clock," said Deputy City Sergeant J. Daly, "for I saw him. When we made the rounds at 6 o'clock this morning he was gone."

Investigation clearly showed how Gooch made his way to freedom. By opening a piece of the west-end door, which covered a large hole in the floor of a wash-room at the end of the corridor, where repairs are also in progress, he was able to drop about six feet to the basement, and thence, through a second hole, he let himself down into the basement. A door, which should have been locked, it was said, but which had been left open, where they happened to be, he made his way to the eastern portion, and he had no trouble in reaching a barred and grated window.

Fled His Way Out.

With the aid of a hack-saw, he fled out one bar and cut away a sufficient part of the grating and stepped into the jail-yard. It was then a simple matter for him to leap the board fence which surrounded the jail and land in Marshall Street.

Just how Gooch secured the saws could not be clearly explained. It was said that he may have picked them up in the basement, where they happen to be, or that he may have been left by workmen, or they may have been smuggled to him by friends. Several persons were inclined to accept the latter theory.

The hack-saw he ripped away was pointed a piece of the west-end door, which covered a large hole in the floor of a wash-room at the end of the corridor, where repairs are also in progress, he was able to drop about six feet to the basement, and thence, through a second hole, he let himself down into the basement. A door, which should have been locked, it was said, but which had been left open, where they happened to be, he made his way to the eastern portion, and he had no trouble in reaching a barred and grated window.

Sergeant Satterfield, who made a careful inquiry into the case, said that he could not admit that the delivery was due to carelessness or negligence on the part of any of his deputies, but that one of those unfortunate occurrences, which are likely to happen at any time. The escape was made while Deputy Dally and Robert Lord were on duty.

Shot Wife in Cold Blood.

Gooch, who was formerly known by the name of Rogers, shot and killed his wife, Lula Gooch, in an alley near First Street, between Clay and Marshall, on November 24. He fled, but was tracked by two schoolboys, Godfrey, Kuyk and Harry Spencer, who pointed out to Mounted Policeman Waldrop, nearly an hour after the shooting took place, many blocks away from the scene of the crime. A coroner's jury charged him with the woman's death, and when arraigned in Police Court he was held for the grand jury for murder.

The police were never able to obtain from him any reason why he killed his wife. "I just thought I would teach her a lesson," he said.

Several hours before he shot her, Gooch called at the home of Mrs. A. L. Van Pelt, where his wife was employed as a domestic and quarreled with her. He induced her to accompany him to the alley, where another quarrel started and ended when he drew a revolver and fired at close range. The woman fell, and he ran. The police are inclined to the belief that the fugitive will attempt to make his way to North Carolina. He is said to be known in Oxford and Monroe County, and the authorities there have been notified by Chief of Police Werner to keep a sharp lookout for him.

Numerous complaints have been made against the condition of the jail, from which many prisoners have escaped in recent years.

PLANS BIG CELEBRATION

John D. Rockefeller Will Spend Christmas at Forest Hills.
Cleveland, Ohio, December 14.—Compelled by the illness of his wife to remain over Christmas, John D. Rockefeller is planning the biggest celebration ever seen at Forest Hills. All his old-time friends have been invited, and it will be an old-fashioned reunion of "cronies." Loaded wagons with mysterious looking packages have been driven into Forest Hills all week, and there is an annual amount of bustle going on inside. It is hinted in reliable quarters that this Christmas celebration will cost the "oil king" about \$25,000. At any rate it will be the biggest in town. John D. Jr., and family are expected here.

CHINA APPEALS TO AMERICA

Wants Assistance in Controlling Hwai River.
Peking, December 14.—The Chinese government has made application to the United States legation for American assistance in controlling the Hwai River, which traverses Southern Honan and Northern Anhwei Provinces. The river each year rises and floods the country, causing great loss of life and property.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars from the United States have been distributed for the relief of the famine along the Hwai River in recent years, and three years ago the Red Cross sent Charles Davis Jameson, an American civil engineer, to survey the country through which the river passes and plan for its control. Keeping the water within its course. It is Mr. Jameson's project which the government desires to carry out. Twenty million dollars will be required for this purpose. It will be obtained by a concession of the vast area of reclaimed land.

Paul Reinsch, the American minister, has sent to Washington a full report on the project, and says he hopes American financiers can be found to undertake it.

CHOCOLATE RATIENS TABOED

Food Compound for Army Delectable as to Digestibility.
Washington, D. C., December 14.—Chocolate rations, long the mainstay of the army as an emergency diet, have been tabooed, and Secretary Garrison has ordered that no more supplies of this food compound shall be issued to troops. This ration has been issued in eighteen-ounce portions, and while its nutritive value is good, it is not as digestible as the health of the soldiers.

Tests now are in progress by Dr. Longworthy to develop a new emergency ration which will meet the demands of the military service. The result of these experiments will be made the basis of a report which Secretary Garrison has asked from Surgeon-General Torney and Major-General Aleshaire, chief of the quartermaster corps of the army.

OFFICER KILLS GANGSTER

Fatally Shoots Man While Trying to Stop Fight.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, December 14.—James Stevens, thirty-five, a Brooklyn gangster, was shot and killed by Francis Walsh, a policeman, early to-day, when the latter attempted to stop a gang fight on Nostrand Avenue. Walsh was attracted to the scene by a number of shots. When the policeman appeared at the side door of a saloon, from which the shots had been fired, one of the gangsters yelled: "A cop. Beat him up."

Several men attacked Walsh, and the officer fell to the pavement. The gangsters then opened fire on him, but Walsh arose and the gangsters fled, shouting as they ran. Walsh commanded them to stop and was answered with more shots. He then drew his revolver and fired at the retreating gang. Stevens was the only one known to have been hit.

MISSING FOR SEVERAL WEEKS

Pittsburgh Connections Fail to Hear Anything of Leishman.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Pittsburgh, Pa., December 14.—J. G. A. Leishman, former ambassador to Germany, has been missing for several weeks, in so far as his Pittsburgh connections are concerned. Reed, Smith, Shaw & Beal, his attorneys here, state at their offices that they have no knowledge of his whereabouts since he left Berlin last week. A number of legal matters demanding his presence here, it is said, and that he is sought also by Attorney A. Leo Well. Mr. Well is said to have been trying for several months to get into communication with Mr. Leishman, but so far without success.

EFFICIENCY IS INCREASED

Bureau of Mines Instructs in Rescue Work.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, December 14.—Increased efficiency in rescue work among miners was reported to-day by the United States Bureau of Mines.

"Since the bureau was created," said Director Dr. Joseph A. Holmes, "our rescue men have trained 5,000 miners in the use of modern rescue apparatus and 4,000 miners in the principles of first aid to the injured. Reports coming into the bureau show that these principles have resulted in a decreasing death toll underground, and greater safety to the miner."

FIRE CAUSES \$50,000 LOSS

Flames Controlled After Damage Is Done to the Buildings.
Rome, Ga., December 14.—Fire, starting in a photographic store early to-day, finally was controlled after three buildings had been damaged, the extent of the loss being \$50,000. The Cherokee National Bank was among the concerns burned but the damage sustained by the bank was not serious. The buildings are owned by W. W. Brooks, of Atlanta.

NO CLUE TO MURDERER

Man Falls Dead With Six Stab Wounds in Body.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Scranton, Pa., December 14.—Stabbed six times, the body of L. LaRosa, thirty-five, was found in a ditch early to-day on the Erie tracks this afternoon at Naxaung. The victim was seen to run down a steep embankment, screaming at the top of his voice. He tripped and fell. The young couple with whom those who had been attracted by his screams reached his side. There is no clue to the murderer.

FITTED FOR HONEYMOON

Steam Yacht Noma to Be Used by Vincent Astor and Bride.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Newport, R. I., December 14.—The steam yacht Noma is being refitted for the honeymoon of Vincent Astor and his bride in the spring. After the honeymoon the young couple will come to spend the summer at the Astor Cottage, Beachwood.

Mrs. John Astor, mother of Vincent, is planning to go to Europe with her daughter, Muriel,